

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573

Assigned Recall No. 03V-032 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: January 27, 2003

Date Faxed: February 6, 2003

MANUFACTURER: BMW Group

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Mr. Karl-Heinz Ziwlca, General Manager,
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SUBJECT: ²⁴³⁵ 2,520 BMW 2002 X5 and 2003 Z4 model vehicles manufactured from
June 20, through September 4, 2002. The connection of the safety belt buckle to the steel
rope of the tension does not meet BMW specifications. In severe frontal crashes, this
connection can detach.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written if we
have additional comments or concerns.

I have reviewed your draft owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.
However, please change the lessor paragraph on the 2nd page to read: "If you are a lessor of this
vehicle, Federal regulations require you to forward this notice to your lessee." Thanks.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required
within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs.
As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during February 2003. Therefore, the
first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2003.

If you have any questions, please call:

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